

he held until being offered a position as Dean and Professor of Law at the University of Wyoming College of Law in 1987. In 1990, Morgan returned to Arizona State University as a Dean and Professor of Law and remained there until taking up the audacious task of founding the Boyd School of Law at the University of Las Vegas in 1997. The Boyd School of Law has produced over 800 graduates who have gone on to effect change in the communities in which they work as public servants, community leaders, legislators, and advocates.

Madam Speaker, I am very proud to recognize Dean Richard Morgan. His contributions to the legal profession and his leadership at the Boyd School of Law are commendable. I thank him for his service to the University of Las Vegas community and with him the best in his future endeavors.

HONORING WILLIE "BILL"
IVERSON GOLDEN

HON. JACK KINGSTON

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2007

Mr. KINGSTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend and recognize Bill Golden, an outstanding Georgian who has dedicated his life to the betterment of society through his involvement in higher education and public service. Bill has been a friend and ally in working towards a brighter future for my constituents and the people of Georgia.

For the past sixteen years, Bill has served as the Director of Governmental Relations for the University of Georgia in Statesboro, Georgia. During most of this time, he also served as Georgia Southern University's Foundation President as well as the Director of Development. During his tenure there, Bill helped obtain over both public and private funding for many initiatives and spearheaded a government relations program between the university and Georgia's congressional delegation.

Before coming to Georgia Southern University, Bill worked at the University of Georgia's Cooperative Extension Service, providing administrative support for the development and implementation of a statewide program in international trade and development and provided leadership for all counties in Georgia. He also served as an Assistant County Agent for Twiggs County, Georgia and worked to improve the county's 4-H and youth program. In addition, Bill aided in the development of the consulting firm Economark, Inc. which was developed to provide technical assistance in the area of economic and community development.

Bill's extensive leadership ability has also translated into his community involvement. For instance, he has served as the Director for Bulloch County Chamber of Commerce, President of the Alumni Society for Middle Georgia College, and chair of the 13-State Advisory Committee for the Southern Rural Development Center. He has also served as President and Board Member of the Certified Public Managers Association, a member of the Board of Directors of Georgia Industrial Developers Association, and the Vice President, representing the first congressional district, Board of Managers for The University of Georgia Alumni Society.

In light of Bill's outstanding record of commitment to others and dedication to excellence, it is with great pleasure that I rise in his honor. As Bill enters retirement I wish him continued happiness and success.

CONGRATULATING CAROLYN
CRAPO

HON. THOMAS G. TANCREDO

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2007

Mr. TANCREDO. Madam Speaker, dedicated and passionate teachers are vital to the education and development of our future generations. Today, I am honored to recognize Ms. Carolyn Crapo, a high school physics teacher, in Aurora, Colorado. Ms. Crapo is a recipient of the 2007 Amgen Award for Science Teaching Excellence for her exceptional efforts and commitment to provide her students with an outstanding science curriculum.

Ms. Crapo seeks to inspire her students to explore the world around them by providing hands-on. Through her efforts and example, Ms. Crapo has helped foster a love of science and provided a better learning environment for her students.

The Award for Science Teaching Excellence is given by Amgen, an internationally known biotechnology company with branches in Colorado. The Amgen Award for Science Teaching Excellence is given to teachers in public and private schools whose dedication to imparting a love of learning and interest in science to the future generations. The recipients are selected by an independent panel that judges the applicants on effectiveness and creativity of teaching methods and how they plan to use the grant money to further science education in their schools.

IN HONOR OF WALTER PARKER

HON. JACK KINGSTON

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2007

Mr. KINGSTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend and recognize Walter Parker an outstanding Georgian and statesman. Walter has long been recognized by the citizens of Tybee Island and Chatham County for the vital role that he has played in community leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the residents of Tybee Island.

This outstanding public servant loyally served as Mayor of Tybee Island for 16 years and contributed enormously to the beautification and preservation of the island and to the refurbishment of the island's endangered beaches. As demonstration of his commitment to Tybee Island, Walter Parker was actively involved in many beach revitalization programs affecting the area and he also appointed the first Tybee Beautification Commission. Walter served as a leading advocate for state-wide support for the rebuilding of the Tybee Island Pier and Pavilion and initiated a massive cleanup and repair project dedicated to Tybee's municipal buildings. His tireless efforts

resulted in a new spirit of community in preparation for Tybee's 1987 Centennial.

Walter's commitment to the residents of Tybee Island is further demonstrated by his service on and involvement with many local, state, and national associations, boards and committees affecting the development of the city, including the Savannah Area Chamber of Commerce and Governor's Comprehensive Plan for Georgia's Coasts.

As Mayor of Tybee Island he demanded excellence in public service from the city's vital service agencies. Walter's hard work and visionary spirit provided a framework upon which future generations could build and helped to preserve a strategic area of the State of Georgia for all to enjoy.

It has been my pleasure working with Walter for many years for the betterment of our common constituency and for all those who know and love Tybee. Throughout our friendship, Walter has proven to be an efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public servant to his community and the citizens of this state. I extend to him my most sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2007

Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I was absent from the chamber during the morning of Friday, April 20, 2007. Had I been present for the seven rollcall votes taken on amendments to H.R. 1257, the Shareholder Vote on Executive Compensation Act, I would have voted "nay" on each one. This includes a "nay" vote on rollcalls numbered 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, and 242.

HONORING MOTHER'S DAY AND
SUPPORTING THE BREAST CAN-
CER AND ENVIRONMENTAL RE-
SEARCH ACT OF 2007

HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2007

Mr. MORAN of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor my mother and all the women in my life. On behalf of these women, I demand answers to the question of what causes breast cancer. This disease has impacted virtually every American's life. More than three million women are currently living with breast cancer, and each year tens of thousands of women die from this disease.

A woman in the United States has a 1 in 7 chance of developing invasive breast cancer during her lifetime—this risk was 1 in 11 in 1975. Breast cancer remains the second leading cause of cancer death among women. While important advances have been made, we still do not know what causes this disease, or how to prevent it.

Scientific evidence about whether the environment plays a role in the development of breast cancer is scarce. There is a clear need for research on the potential relationship between environmental factors and breast cancer, and federal commitment is critical to the

overall, national strategy and to the long-term research investments needed for this effort to succeed.

To further this important research, I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 1157, the Breast Cancer and Environmental Research Act. This bipartisan legislation was introduced again this Congress by Representatives LOWEY, MYRICK and CAPPS.

Madam Speaker, this bill would create a competitive, peer-reviewed research program at the National Institutes of Health to study the potential links between breast cancer and the environment. It is modeled after the successful peer-reviewed Breast Cancer Research Program at the Department of Defense. A key component of this bill is inclusion of consumer advocates in the peer review and programmatic review process.

Let's continue to fight the war on breast cancer, and invest in getting the answers to eradicating this disease, in honor of all our mothers. Pledge your support today, by joining me in co-sponsoring the Breast Cancer and Environmental Research Act, and in working towards enacting it this year.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL UOFL DAY

HON. JOHN A. YARMUTH

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2007

Mr. YARMUTH. Madam Speaker, I have the distinct privilege of rising in recognition of National UofL Day, which honors the University of Louisville for its outstanding academic achievements, tremendous growth in recent years, and exceptional contributions to the Louisville community.

In the last decade we in Louisville saw unprecedented strides for our premier University, as it grew into one of the foremost research institutions in the country.

At Louisville's Jewish Hospital, doctors on the UofL faculty implanted the nation's first successful artificial heart and performed the first three hand transplants, while Louisville scientists Ben Jenson and Shin-je Ghim discovered the first cervical cancer vaccine, and three year-old Chase Ford became the first child to regain the ability to walk after a spinal cord injury using ground-breaking rehabilitative therapy, developed by UofL researcher Susan Harkema.

Due to these and other accomplishments, the school has experienced the most growth in National Institute of Health funding of any institution, and the number of endowed chairs at the University has more than doubled.

UofL's student body has seen their average A.C.T. scores increase by nearly four points and the graduation rate rise by over 10 percent.

The University's commitment to the betterment of our community manifests itself in every facet of Louisville life, from its alliance with Project Women to its work with Partnership for a Green City to the new Signature Partnership Initiative, which will provide resources to areas of the city that need them most.

The landmark Cardinal Covenant program, which made UofL the first public higher learning institution in Kentucky to promise a debt-

free education to students from low-income families, reaffirms a commitment that I share with the University: providing a world-class education to all capable, hard-working students.

Though the recent achievements are astounding, President James Ramsey continues to set goals for the future that are loftier still. Under the leadership of Dr. Ramsey, the pursuit of excellence can be seen each day in the students, faculty, administration, and alumni and the competence with which they chart the school's course guarantees many more milestones in the coming years.

And so, for the great distance that has already been covered, and for displaying the vision and capability to excel in the future, I am proud to share the Cardinal spirit by recognizing National UofL Day and thanking the University of Louisville for all it has done for our community.

ON THE IMPROVING HEAD START ACT OF 2007

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2007

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I rise in strong support of the The Improving Head Start Act of 2007. For 40 years, Head Start has provided comprehensive child development, literacy, and family services to more than 20 million pre-schoolers from low-income and working poor families. It is unquestionably the most effective early childhood development program ever developed.

Head Start graduates are less likely to need special education services, to be left back a grade or to get into trouble with the law. They are more likely to go on to college and to have professional careers.

At a time when there is an overwhelming need in our country for quality, affordable early childhood education, we can all understand how powerful this legislation could be. I hope we can all understand our shared obligation today—not only to maintain this incredibly effective program, but to help it reach more children in need.

As time goes by, we continue to learn more and more about the development of young children—their language development, their social-emotional development, even their brain development—and it all points to the fact that quality education and early engagement, from both parents and teachers, are essential for our kids' success.

That is why this legislation is so important. It will increase funding for Head Start teacher and staff salaries and professional development, strengthening training and technical assistance. And it will re-evaluate and update Head Start's current standards and assessments based on the best science.

We are going to increase accountability by devising a new system of application review that assesses program quality and leads to re-competition of low-quality centers. We are going to boost cooperation between Head Start and state and local child care programs to increase full-day and full-year services. And we are going to allow programs to convert portions of their grant for use for Early Head Start, which serves children under three years old.

Ultimately, though, this legislation is about expanding access to Head Start for more than 10,000 additional children. Ten thousand more children who will be given the tools to perform significantly better on a range of cognitive, language, and social-emotional development measures. Ten thousand children for whom, studies show, there will be a higher degree of parental involvement in the home and at school. Ten thousand children with a real opportunity to thrive and succeed over the course of their entire lives.

I want to commend and thank Congressmen KILDEE, CASTLE, and Chairman MILLER for their leadership on this critical legislation.

Head Start is a strong and effective program. The growth and success of millions of American children and families is living proof. We have a responsibility to embrace their success, support it, and strengthen it for years to come.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2007

Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I was unavoidably delayed in arriving to the chamber earlier today during the recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Mississippi, Mr. THOMPSON, to H.R. 1684, the Department of Homeland Security Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008. Had I been able to record my vote on this amendment, rollcall No. 314, I would have voted "aye."

INTRODUCTION OF H.R. 2188, THE KINSHIP CAREGIVER SUPPORT ACT

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2007

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, in the words of novelist, P.D. James, "What a child doesn't receive he can seldom later give." Our children are entitled to stable, caring homes; if we deny them what they truly deserve, we can anticipate a colder, more uncertain future for our nation.

This week marks the tenth anniversary of subsidized guardianship in Illinois, an innovative program that allows foster children to exit the child welfare system into permanent families while using federal funds to provide caregivers with the level of resources provided to adoptive families of children in foster care. To recognize this milestone, my colleague TIM JOHNSON and I introduced H.R. 2188, the Kinship Caregiver Support Act.

Modeled after the adoption assistance program, innovative programs in Illinois, and recommendations from the Pew Commission on Children in Foster Care, this bill provides kinship caregivers with the necessary resources to address their children's needs. The bill addresses gaps in existing foster care laws that withhold important supports from children living with relative guardians.

By enacting the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997 and the Adoption Assistance and